



2023 CALIFORNIA RED WINE

To cut one's way through a thicket, the machete is the tool of choice—and you better hope its sharp. At Orin Swift, focus and determination is our sharpening stone and it allows us to continue crafting consistent wines year after year. Machete showcases one of our favorite varietals, Petite Sirah, in its unapologetic form—the one that stains your teeth, the glass and everything in its path. But in that form, the complexity is unrivalled with its viciousness on full display. Sourced from premier vineyards across California, some include Summerwind in the Yorkville Highlands, Dark Horse in Mendocino and the Stagecoach Vineyard on Atlas Peak in the Napa Valley.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2023 Machete pours a brow-raising opaque violet ink with a vivid, neon purple rim. Immediately, the wine's aromatics entrench with notes of plum preserves, wild blackberry, slate and crushed gravel—intense and brazen. The palate continues the invasion with loads of texture whilst the minerality keeps things in check—tastes of slow-roasted Moroccan lamb, marbled leather, dark chocolate and river rocks with grippy tannins accentuating the close.

BLEND

Petite Sirah, Syrah and Grenache

MATURATION

Aged for 12 months in French Oak, 35% New

ALC/VOL

15.1%